

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY BANGUI  
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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EWWT, SWEL, CT

SUBJECT: PHOTOGRAPHS OF UBANGUI/ZAIRE RIVERS

REF: BANGUI 607

1. DEPARTMENT IN COOPERATION WITH AID, DOD AND NASA  
HAS INVESTIGATED PHOTOGRAPHIC OPPORTUNITIES AS REQUESTED  
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REFTEL. NASA HAS SCHEDULED LANDSAT III PASSES ASAP AND  
IMAGES SHOULD BE READY WITHIN NEXT THREE WEEKS. WE WILL  
INFORM YOU OF EXACT DATE OF PASS SEPTEL.

2. A NOTE OF CAUTION, HOWEVER, IS IN ORDER AS LANDSAT III  
PRODUCES RESOLUTION 40 BY 40 METERS WHICH IS NOT LIKELY  
TO BE SUFFICIENTLY CLEAR TO PROVIDE BASIS FOR DREDGING

OPERATIONS. NONETHELESS, IMAGES SHOULD PROVIDE INFORMATION ON GENERAL RIVER SITUATION WHICH CAN BE SUPPLEMENTED BY AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY. USG PLEASED TO PROVIDE IMAGRY AS POLITICAL GESTURE OF GOODWILL AND EVIDENCE OF UTILITY OF LANDSAT TECHNOLOGY TO FOCUS ON DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS.

3. AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY NOT FUNDABLE ON SHORT TERM BASIS BY AID WITHOUT DECLARATION OF DISASTER BY AMBASSADOR (SEE 2 FAM 60, AID HANDBOOK 8). SITUATION DESCRIBED REFTEL DOES NOT APPEAR TO MEET REQUIREMENTS FOR DISASTER FUNDING. HOWEVER, SHOULD SITUATION CHANGE OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BE AVAILABLE, PLEASE ADVISE.

4. TWO REPUTABLE COMMERCIAL FIRMS HAVE OFFICES AND/OR PLANES IN AFRICA CAPABLE OF PERFORMING NECESSARY WORK; HUNTING AERIAL SURVEYS AND CONSULTANTS, INC. 790 MADISON AVE, NY. 10021 AND GEOSURVEY INTERNATIONAL LTD PO BOX 30750 NAIROBI, TELEX 22287. HUNTING OFFICIAL PREPARING COST ESTIMATE WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED SEPTEL, SHOULD GOCAE BE INTERESTED IN LETTING CONTRACT.

5. DOD RESPONSE SUBJECT SEPTEL. VANCE

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